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Moved by: _____

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County Attorney

RESOLUTION AMENDING THE FY 2010 OPERATING BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$121,436.00 FOR RECEIPT OF A U S DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY GRANT TOTALING \$421,800.00 FOR THE ENERGY EFFICIENCY CONSERVATION BLOCK GRANT FOR THE TERM SEPTEMBER 14, 2009 TO SEPTEMBER 13, 2012; AMENDING THE POSITION CONTROL BUDGET; AND APPROPRIATING SAID FUNDS. THIS ITEM REQUIRES EXPENDITURE OF FEDERAL GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$121,436.00. SPONSORED BY COMMISSIONER EDITH ANN MOORE.

WHEREAS, The Shelby County Government has been awarded \$421,800.00 from the U S Department of Energy to provide funding to develop programs designed to promote energy efficiency and conservation; and

WHEREAS, The Shelby County Government Office of Grants Coordination and Management and the Memphis and Shelby County Division of Planning and Development will coordinate the Energy Efficiency Conservation Block Grant program; and

WHEREAS, It is necessary to amend the FY 2010 Operating Budget and the FY 2010 Position Control Budget to appropriate grant funds in the amount of \$121,436.00 for the period from September 14, 2009 through June 30, 2010; and

WHEREAS, Funds for the period of July 1, 2010 through the end of the grant will be budgeted contingent upon the approval of the FY 2011 Operating Budget by the Board of County Commissioners.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SHELBY COUNTY, TENNESSEE, That the FY 2010 Shelby County Operating Budget is hereby amended to include the receipt of \$421,800.00 and funds are appropriated to expend U S Department of Energy grant funds in the amount of \$121,436.00 per Exhibit A, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein as if fully set forth herein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Position Control Budget is hereby amended as per Exhibit B, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein as if fully set forth herein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the County Mayor be and is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to comply with the terms and conditions for the awarding and acceptance of the aforementioned grant funds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the County Mayor and the Director of Administration and Finance are authorized to issue their warrant or warrants to the extent of appropriations made in this resolution and to take proper credit in their accounting therefor.

Joe Ford, Interim Mayor

Date: _____

ATTEST:

Deputy Clerk of County Commission

ADOPTED: _____

SUMMARY

I. Description of Item

This resolution amends the FY 2010 Operating Budget for receipt of a grant in the amount of \$421,800.00 from the U S Department of Energy for the Energy Efficiency Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) and to appropriate fund in the amount of \$121,436 for the period of October 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010. Funds for the period of July 1, 2010 through the end of the grant will be budgeted contingent upon the approval of the FY 2011 Operating Budget by the Board of County Commissioners.

Shelby County government will use EECBG program funds to create the Office of Sustainability with a director and one professional staff member. Shelby County Government will leverage the grant funds by providing staff support (professional planners & administrative staff), on an as needed basis, as well as permanent office space and equipment for the new office.

A critical objective of the Sustainable Shelby Initiative is to establish within local government a dedicated staff driving change, leading programs, creating collaborations, and demonstrating to the public the benefits of sustainable practices. Staff for the Office of Sustainability will be hired by September 2010 and be responsible for implementing the policies and strategies of the Implementation Plan. The Plan contains a number of short-term, low cost projects/activities that will create policies to increase energy efficiency, reduce energy consumption, spur economic growth and community development, and launch aggressive public educational opportunities. The Office of Sustainability will update the Implementation Plan on an ongoing basis and publish annual status reports detailing the progress made for each strategy. The Office of Sustainability will conduct research, organize community and project meetings, prepare and distribute educational materials, update and maintain project databases, update the Sustainable Shelby Website and respond to routine information requests.

The staff of this office will also be responsible for implementing and managing the Energy Efficiency Conservation Strategy proposed in this grant which includes county-wide activities to capture baseline data using ICLEI software and programs, develop an Environmental Assessment Program, and create a Green Building Task Force. All of these proposed activities will lead to obtaining long-term goals in the community economic development, community stabilization and poverty reduction efforts.

II. Source and Amount of Funding

This grant in the amount of \$421,800.00 is a direct Federal Recovery Act Grant administered by the U S Department of Energy. The grant term is from September 14, 2009 through September 13, 2012.

III. Additional Information Relevant to the Approval of this Item

Grant award documentation is attached.